(d) It is too early to indicate any time-limit by which the Tribunal and the Settlement Commission will be set up.

SEBI Report on Securities Scam

3765. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) year in which the SEBI was formed;

(b) whether Government have received any report/opinion from the SEBI about the recent securities scam:

(c) if so, when such a report was received; and

(d) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAM-ESHWAR THAKUR): (a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) was initially constituted by the Government by a resolution dated 12th. April, 1988.

(b) No specific report/opinion has been received from SEBI in this regard.

fc) and (d) Do not arise.

विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार के संबंध में आंकड़े

3766. **श्री प्रमोद महाजन :** क्या **वित्त** मंत्री 28 जुलाई, 1992 को राज्य सभा में तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 282 के दिये गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और विदेशी ऋणों, विदेशी सहायता और अप्रवासी भ तीयों द्वारा जमा के रूप में मई, 1992 के शाह में विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार (5458 मिलियन डालर) के आंकड़े बताने की कृपा करेंगे ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर) : किसी विशेष समय पर भण्डारों की स्थिति, विदेशी क्षेत्र में सभी लेन देनों का निवल परिणाम है। इसलिए विदेशी ऋणों विदेशी सहायताओं और अनिवासी भारतीयों की जमा के संदर्भ में विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार-स्तर के ब्यौरे तैयार करना सम्भव नहीं है।

Guidelines for loans for purchase of vehicles

3767. DR ISHWAR CHAND GUP. TA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the broad outlines for granting loan to operators by nationalised banks for the purchase of trucks and passenger vehicles;

(b) the number of trucks and buses financed separately by nationalised banks in each State, particularly in Kanpur city, during the period from 1985-86 and 1991-92;

(c) what are the reasons for decline, if any, in the number or trucks and busses financed; and

(d) steps taken or proposed to be taken to encourage trucks transport industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DAL-BIR SINGH): (a) As per the guidelines of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) advances to small road transport operators owning a fleet of vehicles not exceeding six vehicles including the one proposed to be financed are eligible for inclusion under priority sector. These borrowers get bank finance at concessional terms relating to margin, security, rate of interest, etc. as under:

(i) *Margin:* For credit limits upto and inclusive of Rs. 25.000/- no 'margin is required. A margir of 15 to 25 per cent has been pres-aribed for credit limits exceeding Rs. 25,000.

(ii) *Security Norms:* For credit lili-mits upto and inclusive of Rs. 25,000 hypothecation of the asset- created out of the loan f.*e.* vehicle) is sufficient. Banks have been advised not to ask for collateral security/third party guarantee for loans upto and inclusive of Rs 25.000. For credit limits in excess of Rs. 25,000 banks have to determine the security on merits of each case. In these cases collateral security by